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First Nations culture alive and well at local event

## FocusOn First Nations

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**CELEBRATION** First Nations traditions and culture are alive and well in the provincial capital, as anyone who visited yesterday's National Aboriginal Day event at Churchill Square can attest.

Teepees on 102 Avenue greeted visitors to the festivities, along with the chance to sample bannock, learn of First Nations cultures from elders and take in various performances.

Some of the attractions included discussion, singing and drumming with Taz McGillis, who is of Cree, Sioux and Scottish descent; performances by Metis jigger Corbin Poitras and demonstrations of Inuit lamp lighting and throat singing.

"It's a really neat day," said National Aboriginal Day co-ordinator Wendy Walker.

"This doesn't cost the family a thing (to attend)."

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Australian Penske driver Will Power celebrates his first IndyCar Series victory yesterday at the Rexall Edmonton Indy at City Centre Airport. Paul Tracy was the top Canadian, finishing sixth. More coverage, page 2.

# Will Power strong to the finish line

## Aussie goes from pole to podium at Indy race



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**"I guess when you're leading, you just want it to be over with."**

Driver Will Power

**It was a sheer display of Will Power taking the win at yesterday's Indy.**

Australian Will Power of Team Penske took first place, followed by Brazilian Helio Castroneves and New Zealand's Scott Dixon, respectively.

"Man, very good day, very good weekend to get pole position and the race

win, so very happy," said Power.

He was leading later in the race, and he said that the last 25 laps seemed to take forever.

"It dragged on, like come on man, this thing's got to finish soon," he said.

"I guess when you're leading, you just want it to

be over with."

However, he said that he ultimately wasn't too stressed in the end because he had a big gap.

In his five races this year, Power has finished no worse than sixth place.

Although it was a great weekend for many racers, Tony Kanaan's vehicle unfortunately caught fire in the middle of the race, with the Brazilian suffering minor burns to his hands and face. Racing for the near future for Kanaan is still uncertain.

Castroneves, the runner-up, said that he and Dixon

were battling it out at the start of the race.

"It's very competitive out there, it's difficult to pass, unless you're sure you're going to make a move," said Castroneves.

He added that even though it was "pedal to the metal" most of the race, there is still a lot of mental strategy that must be used.

"We would have liked to have won, but Will Power had a fantastic weekend," said third place finisher Scott Dixon.

Paul Tracy was the top Canadian, finishing sixth.

## Tories boast after forecast

**RECESSION** If Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his fellow Conservatives look a little relieved this week, they can thank Mark Carney for lifting their spirits — and perhaps their political fortunes.

With his prediction that the recession is nearly over, the Bank of Canada governor served up some welcome good news just in time for this week's Conservative caucus retreat.

His forecast is sure to prompt some back-patting as Harper and his MPs take credit for the emerging turnaround. Finance Minister Jim Flaherty began the boasting last week when he declared that the economy is "stabilized" and that growth was around the corner.

"All of these are good indicators that the plan is working and we're seeing the beginning of economic recovery," Flaherty said, adding that he expects Canada to emerge from the recession stronger than the United States.

Still, the mood of Wednesday's Conservative retreat is unlikely to match the bullish atmosphere of last year's caucus session, when a confident Harper taunted Stéphane Dion, then the Liberal leader, to face him in the polls.

"I think we're probably going to see a caucus meeting that is much more grounded in the sense that the downturn in the economy has really cast a pall over everything ... It represents a significant political risk," pollster Nik Nanos said.

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One teen is dead and another has been taken into custody after a fatal stabbing yesterday at a townhouse in Sherwood Park, according to CBC News Online. RCMP say they were called to an Oak Street residence early Sunday, where they found the 18-year-old victim suffering from stab wounds. He later died in hospital. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Local



## Golf courses ready for tee off

Golf fans can rejoice as three local golf courses are open for business again after the recent severe storm closed them for repairs. All 18 holes are now up at the Victoria Golf Course, Riverside Golf Course, and Rundle Park Golf Course after extensive repairs were needed to fix damage caused by the heavy storm that came through Edmonton last week. **METRO EDMONTON**

# Fans soak it all in on race day

Enthusiasts from all over give Edmonton Indy screeching thumbs up



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**The ferocious sound of Indy cars circling around the track, excitement and anticipation was carried through Edmonton's warm breeze yesterday.**

The seats of the grandstands were filling up all afternoon with a steady flow, and seemingly endless stream of excited and enthusiastic fans.

"It's awesome, people are so jazzed," said Stephanie Wallcraft, from Toronto. "It feels the same in Edmonton as it does in Toronto where people really care about the racing ... There's just a good vibe with the place."

Some other Torontonians sat outside their RV before the race to relax and chat where over 60 fans hung out on Saturday.

"I grew up around cars, and racing with my dad and my uncles, so ever since I was little, they would always take me out to car shows, and drag racing stuff," said Janet Ruiz of Toronto, sitting with racing friends at the RV whom she met through online racing forums.



For the past 10 years, Ruiz has been around North America to see races, and she noted that a recent favorite of hers was Justin Wilson's win at Watkins Glen.

However, in this race, it is all about Paul Tracy for the win to

her. Wallcraft has never been to Edmonton before and said that after this experience she would "absolutely" come again. "It's a fantastic track

and it's a great event for Edmonton that brings a lot of people in



that might not otherwise have a reason to visit the city," she added.



Top right: Indy car driver Danica Patrick poses for a photo with a fan yesterday at the Edmonton Indy at the City Centre Airport. Top left: Canadian driver Paul Tracy gets strapped in for the 95-lap race. Bottom: Team Penske driver Helio Castroneves.

## Motorcyclist charged in crash

**FATALITY** As part of a month-long investigation, a motorcyclist has been charged in connection to a crash earlier this month that left one man dead.

Curtis Chilke, 30, was charged with dangerous driving causing death, after a motorcycle collision on July 13 killed Chilke's 20-year-old rider.

Chilke was allegedly seen driving fast and erratically near 178 Street and 96 Avenue when he lost control of his bike, mounted a curb and hit two trees. The passenger was pronounced dead at the scene, and Chilke was taken to hospital with serious injuries. **METRO EDMONTON**

## News in brief

**FOUND DEAD** According to RCMP, four family members have been found dead in a home in the northern Alberta town of Smith, near Slave Lake. The RCMP has not ruled out a murder-suicide, but did say that right now they are looking seeking any suspects.

**CANCER** Trees around the legislative grounds will sport pink ribbons in support of breast cancer awareness as part of Paint Canada Pink Week. This last weekend, every ninth tree on the grounds had a ribbon put on to reflect the statistic that one in nine women are expected to have breast cancer in their life. Organized by the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation, the Pink Week is a lead up to get people involved and interested in the upcoming CIBC Run for the Cure taking place on Oct. 4.

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# Crowds come out to close Capital Ex

ANDREW COWIE  
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**FUN** The sounds of joyful screams from nearby rides mixed with the odour of various savoury foods as sizzling weather greeted the last day of Capital Ex.

What started out with a bang, with heavy winds and rain that battered the carnival grounds for the first weekend, turned to a clear whimper with days of cloudless skies.

"It was some wild weather," said Sandra Pysklywyc, manager of public relations for Northlands.



Hip-hop artist k-os.

Even with the turbulent weather, Pysklywyc said the grounds saw a good turnout to such outdoor events such as Ed Fest, the music stage that saw a vari-

## Next big star crowned

16-year-old Edmonton girl claims prize

Alberta's next big star has been crowned at the Northern Star Talent Search during Edmonton's Capital Ex. Paige Knickle, 16, of Edmonton, is a budding young performer who won her way into the judges' hearts and the Grand Prize with a musical theatre performance of The Girl in 14-

G. As the Northern Star Talent Search Grand Winning Act, Knickle garnered an opportunity to compete at the 2009 Canadian Association of Fairs & Exhibitions National Youth Talent Finals in Charlottetown, P.E.I., along with \$2,000 in prize money.

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ety of music acts such as Our Lady Peace, k-os and others.

"We had great crowds ... people in the thousands for (Ed Fest)," she said.

"It was big entertainment all the way across and a celebration of summer."

With the first days marred by not only rain,

but heavy wind, Pysklywyc said that getting people to come back after a first rainy outing was made possible by new attractions such as the Wild Word of Lions and the Cirque Shanghai.

"Based on the way we have our entertainment set up, we had a number of things inside and outside," she said.

The official numbers for the 2009 run of the Capital EX were not available at press time but will be released today.

In 2008, the event saw over 740,000 visitors and over 772,000 in 2007.

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## Lotteries

Friday, July 24

Super 7: 1, 5, 18, 27, 29, 30 & 34 Bonus 39

Saturday, July 25

Lotto 6/49: 10, 19, 29, 32, 38 & 44 Bonus 3

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The federal government has promised to assert Canada's sovereignty over its resource-rich Arctic lands and waters while it addresses the need for jobs, housing and a clean environment in the North, CBC News Online reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Canada



## Google scans northern cities

Search engine Google dispatched some unusual-looking cars, with a large amount of camera gear on top, to roam — and photograph — the streets of Yellowknife and Whitehorse last week, CBC News Online reports. The images are linked to the company's Google Maps and Google Earth applications. The Canadian version of Street View is "coming soon," according to the service's website.

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## Challenges ahead for new First Nations chief

### FocusOn First Nations

**Staggering poverty, unemployment and unresolved treaties are among the enormous challenges facing Shawn Atleo, the new national chief of the Assembly of First Nations.**

Last week, Statistics Canada released a report showing that the disproportionate number of adult aboriginals in jail is related in part to poverty and lack of education. They made up 22 per cent of the prison population in 2007-08, even though they accounted for just three per cent of the national population.

Associated with poverty levels, overcrowding, and

health concerns is a suicide level among aboriginal Canadians that is at least five times the national average.

Authorities on native issues say Atleo, a 42-year-old B.C. businessman and native activist, has to focus on outstanding treaties and education to find solutions to the myriad of problems dogging native communities.

"If there had been a recognition (of the treaties) ..... from the beginning, we wouldn't be in the position we are in in terms of grinding poverty," said Cynthia Wesley-Esquimaux, an assistant aboriginal studies professor at the University of Toronto.

Chiefs of Canada's more than 600 status Indian

### 'Education gap'

• Ontario Minister of Aboriginal Affairs Brad Duguid said Atleo's focus on education could solve other longstanding issues. "Once you fix the education gap, I think you are ultimately going to see First Nations people across the country will be able to tackle those themselves," Duguid said.

bands selected Atleo from five candidates to succeed Phil Fontaine as national chief of the Assembly of First Nations on Thursday in Calgary after eight rounds of voting.

Fontaine did not seek re-election after three terms as leader.

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## Halifax Metro shows some pride



Metro Halifax celebrated the Halifax Pride parade by entering Metro representatives into the parade and hosting a Metro relaxation tent.

## Via Rail strike ends after arbitration deal reached

**TRAVEL** Passenger trains started up again late yesterday after a two-day strike that threatened to disrupt holiday traffic.

Via Rail and the union representing the striking locomotive engineers said yesterday they had agreed to start binding arbitration to get a deal.

"We reached the conclusion that there was no possible agreement in the short term," Daniel Shewchuk, president of the Teamsters Canada Rail Conference, said in a statement. "That is why the parties came to the agreement to submit their outstanding issues to final and

### Thousands daily

• About 11,000 people use Via daily and the strike forced tourists and Canadians alike to scramble to find new travel plans.

binding arbitration."

Via Rail, which operates about 500 trains each week over 12,500 kilometers of track across Canada, had started canceling trains last week and was already sending out layoff notices to other workers.

It said train services would resume late Sunday, and the layoff notices were canceled.

**REUTERS**

### News in brief

**TARGETED** Online classified shoppers are being targeted by armed thieves. In three incidents this month, victims answered for iPhones ads posted on Kijiji and Craigslist, exchanged information with the seller, then arranged to meet at a Toronto parking lot.

In each case, the victims were robbed of between \$400 and \$600.

**HEALTH** The body's immune system attacks our own fat and can be manipulated to fight obesity and diabetes, a revolutionary new Toronto study says.

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## Rural Canada the wild frontier for female politicians

**STUDY** Rural areas are the daunting frontier for women with dreams of getting elected in Canada, according to new, in-depth research.

Louise Carbert, of Dalhousie University in Halifax, has been systematically analyzing how female politicians are faring in Canada's urban-rural divide. Carbert's work has been published in Sylvia Bashevkin's new book, *Opening Doors Wider: Women's Political Engagement in Canada*.

Carbert's main — and sobering — finding is that women are twice as likely to get elected in Canada if they come from urban areas. In 2008, women were elected in 31 per cent of the most densely populated areas of Canada, compared to 14 per cent in rural districts. "This ratio has persisted over several decades despite substantial increases in the number of women elected overall," the study says.

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Germany's health minister came under pressure yesterday to explain why she took her official limousine, complete with chauffeur, to Spain, where the vehicle was stolen. Opposition politicians demanded Ulla Schmidt provide more details about the incident. **REUTERS**

# World



## Sarkozy hospitalized after jog

French President Nicolas Sarkozy was rushed to hospital yesterday after falling ill while jogging and stayed overnight to undergo cardiological tests, officials said. The 54-year-old did not lose consciousness but had to lie down before being helicoptered to the Val-de-Grace military hospital in Paris. "When he was jogging in the park of the Chateau de Versailles, the president was taken ill," his office said in a statement. **REUTERS**

## Clinton hopes for female president

**U.S.** Failed presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton said yesterday she hoped there would be a female U.S. president in her lifetime but ruled out the chance she would run again.



Now secretary of state in the cabinet of one-time rival President Barack Obama, Clinton said it was a "daunting" challenge for a woman to run for president.

"It will take the right woman who can make the case and win the votes and get elected. I am certainly hoping it will happen in my lifetime," she told NBC's Meet the Press.

When pressed whether she would run again, she said, "I have absolutely no belief, in my mind, that that will happen."

**REUTERS**

## U.S. tries to spur peace

Despite rift, Netanyahu says U.S.-Israeli relations still strong

**The United States launched a fresh drive yesterday to restart Middle East peace talks, sending senior officials to the region to deal with issues ranging from Jewish settlements to Iran's nuclear ambitions.**

The visits by Middle East envoy George Mitchell, Defence Secretary Robert Gates and National Security Adviser Jim Jones were a strong signal from U.S. President Barack Obama of his intention to keep Israeli-Arab peacemaking high on his agenda.

Obama's demand, in accordance with a 2003 U.S.-backed peace "road map," to freeze Jewish settlement in the occupied West Bank and Arab East Jerusalem has met stiff resistance from Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Playing down the most

serious rift in U.S.-Israeli ties in a decade, Netanyahu told his cabinet: "It is only natural that within a fabric of friendly relations between allies, there isn't full agreement on all points."

He described Israel's relationship with Washington as "important and steadfast," a departure from tough comments he made only a week ago when he said he would not accept orders from the United States on Jewish settlement in East Jerusalem. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas has said talks with Israel, suspended for more than six months, cannot resume until all Israeli settlement activity ceases.

"We are trying to reach understandings on various issues so that we can, together, advance our common goals: peace, security and prosperity for all of the

### Promoting peace

• U.S. Middle East envoy George Mitchell is to see Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas today and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu tomorrow.

Middle East," Netanyahu said.

Flying to Israel from talks in Damascus with President Bashar al-Assad on the possibility of restarting Israeli-Syrian negotiations, Mitchell discussed a settlement deal and prospects for regional peace with Israeli Defence Minister Ehud Barak in Tel Aviv.

Mitchell told reporters he has been urging Arab leaders "to take steps towards normalization."

**REUTERS**

## Pro-Zelaya border protests weakened

**HONDURAS** Disheartened supporters of deposed Honduran President Manuel Zelaya trickled home from the Nicaraguan border yesterday, weakening protests backing his bid to return to power after a coup last month. Honduran troops manning checkpoints have prevented several thousand demonstrators from staging a show of support at the border for the leftist leader, now exiled in Nicaragua.

Six miles from the border, 100 weary protesters milled around the coffee town of El Paraiso, a far cry from the massive outpouring of public backing Zelaya had called for.

The United States, Latin American governments and the United Nations want Zelaya returned to power, but Secretary of State Hillary Clinton criticized him as being "reckless" when he took



Ousted Honduras President Manuel Zelaya talks to supporters Saturday.

a few steps onto Honduran soil on Friday in a symbolic gesture in front of international media.

Zelaya, who is in a Nicaraguan town near the border, hit back at the U.S. secretary of state for the second time in two days. Clinton should "stop avoiding the issue" that the Honduran government is a dictatorship, he told journalists.

"Secretary Clinton should confront the dictatorship with force," he said. **REUTERS**

## Ahmadinejad fires two ministers

**POLITICS** Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad dismissed yesterday the intelligence and culture ministers, a news agency reported.

The semi-official Mehr news agency quoted an unnamed source as saying the two ministers had a dispute

with the hardline president over the appointment of Esfandiar Rahim Mashaie as first vice-president for Ahmadinejad's second four-year term.

Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who backs Ahmadinejad's disputed election win last

month, ordered the president last week to dismiss Mashaie, who has said Iran was friends with everyone, even the people of arch-foe Israel.

Iran does not recognize Israel and Ahmadinejad has often predicted its imminent demise. **REUTERS**

### News in brief

**TALIBAN** Pakistani police have detained pro-Taliban cleric Sufi Mohammad, accusing him of helping militants in the country's northwest and sabotaging the government's fight against them, an official said yesterday.

**AFGHANISTAN** One of Afghan President Hamid Karzai's vice-presidential running mates in next month's elections escaped unhurt from an ambush by Taliban insurgents yesterday, officials said. Mohammad Qasim Fahim, the

former head of an alliance that toppled the Taliban in 2001, was ambushed on a road in Kunduz province where he was campaigning on Karzai's behalf for the Aug. 20 poll, said senior campaign official Zalmay Mujadidi. **REUTERS**

## Nepal A Gurkha welcome



Actress and campaigner Joanna Lumley is welcomed by British Gurkhas and their families yesterday in Kathmandu, Nepal. The British TV star has long advocated for U.K. citizenship rights for Gurkhas, native to the Himalayas, but who have served in the British military since 1815.



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## Comment

## Head over heels for hope

## HineSight

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On a recent morning I hit on a great truth about love. Romantic relationships call into play the two most powerful and overwhelming forces known to human kind. Hope and hormones.

I realized this during a phone conversation with my friend Rob. It went something like this.

Rob: The most amazing thing has happened. Incredible. Stupendous. You won't believe it.

Me: So, those new strawberry-esque doughnuts at Tim Hortons. The best thing ever? Or a wicked plot by Weight Watchers?

Rob: What about my news?

Me: You've met a woman. She's perfect. You're madly in love. You never knew you could feel this way.

Rob: Well ... yeah. Except for the part about ... well ... yeah.

Me: Honey, I worry about your heart.

Rob: You're the one eating doughnuts.

Me: Falling in love makes you irrational.

Rob: Irrational? Not ever. Totally not. Me irrational? What? Huh?

Me: What about that woman with "Elvis Lives" tattooed on her forehead?

Rob: She was very ... optimistic.

Me: And the one who thought pigeons speak to her?

Rob: She'll never feel alone. But this one is different. We've had

## SunnySide

three whole dates and I haven't once felt like suggesting she'd benefit from lengthy psychotherapy.

Me: What about how you behave? The short list of things you've done for love includes: Bought a ferret, grown your hair, cut your hair, studied "clowning,"

sworn you love Barry Manilow, sworn you hate Barry Manilow, sworn you love camping — which, if you remember, led to you actually having to go camping, grown your hair again, and worn spandex.

Rob: I liked the spandex.

Once I got that chafing under control. Anyway,

what about listening to my heart?

Me: I'm afraid you can't hear it over your hormones. Sweetie, why do you want to try this again?

Rob: Because maybe this will be the woman that'll make inane love songs seem like deep, meaningful insight. Maybe she'll be the person who will know me; the good, the bad, the bordering on repellent and still love me like springtime. And maybe I'll do the same for her. What's it worth risking for that?

Me: Truthfully? ... Everything you've got. Just look after yourself, OK?

Rob: What's the worst that can happen?

Me: Remember Raw Food Girl?

Rob: I have to run. We've signed up to take Norwegian country dancing.

Me: Good for you, sweetie. I'm right behind you.

The things we do for love.

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## Views

## City can't continue to give priority to cars

## InTransit

Brian Gould

metronews.ca/gould

In May I mentioned I was moving in search of the perfect location, and on most counts the place I found is hard to beat. It also provides a lesson on transit-oriented development.

Transit-wise, it's two blocks from the nearest subway entrance with four buses running down the street. The apartment itself is a comfy 300-square-foot loft. Over one fantastic restaurant and a few paces from another, it's the perfect spot for a pair of urban transit riders — with one

major caveat.

There's no mould or critter problem, but everyone in the building suffers from an infestation nonetheless: The street is lousy with cars, trucks, and buses. Approximately

25,000 of them roll by our windows daily, coating the sill with soot and filling the loft with smoke. Shortly after moving in, I began to develop a pretty nasty cough. We quickly realized the windows had to stay shut during the day and an air purifier was a necessity. It's a pretty noisy machine, but as a side benefit it tends to wash out the traffic noise at night.

Traffic, frustratingly enough, is a common issue

in the areas best served by transit. The usual response is complete detachment from the street, with bedrooms in back, thick walls, and sealed windows. These

effects, along with a shrinking sense of home territory and a loss of friends, were famously documented by Donald

Appleyard.

To argue we've brought this on ourselves is to ignore that we're trying to minimize our impacts on others. The solution to being overrun by cars can't be to drive one yourself. If Edmonton is to become more transit oriented, we can't continue to give cars priority over people.

At the same time, we

need to acknowledge that diesel buses aren't good neighbours either. Trolleys were tarred as environmentally unfriendly by fixating on emissions at the stack and forgetting the silence and clean air where people live and breathe.

The key point is power plants are best sited as far away from people as possible. The same, I'd argue, goes for cars as well. While transit needs to run where the people are, there's still a lesson to be learned here.

Simply adding more people and more buses isn't going to cut it. It's going to take design — more than density — to make the result truly livable.

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## Worth mentioning

## Destruction taking its toll on Earth: Astronaut

A Canadian astronaut aboard the International Space Station said yesterday it looks like Earth's ice caps have melted a bit since he was last in orbit 12 years ago.

Bob Thirsk, who is two months into a planned six-month stay aboard the station, said he is mostly in awe when he looks out the window, particularly at the sliver of atmosphere wrapped around the planet.

"It's a very thin veil of atmosphere around the Earth that keeps us alive,"

Thirsk said during an in-flight news conference. "Most of the time when I look out the window I'm in awe. But there are some effects of the human destruction of the Earth as well.

"This is probably just a perception, but I just have the feeling that the glaciers are melting, the snow capping the mountains is less than it was 12 years ago when I saw it last time," Thirsk said. "That saddens me a little bit."

If Thirsk needs a sympathetic ear, he has 12 crewmates with him, at least until tomorrow, when visiting shuttle Endeavour astronauts are scheduled to depart.

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Bob Thirsk

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# Going Green

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In Indonesia, EcoFaeBrick makes environmentally friendly bricks out of leftover cow dung, fired in kilns using bio-fuels to reduce carbon emissions, according to Green Trends. And no, they don't smell — they look exactly like clay bricks and cost about the same as regular bricks but are said to be 20 per cent stronger and lighter. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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# G8 emissions plan lacks meaning

## EarthTones

Sophia Dore & Andrew Laursen



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Sometimes we can all be pretty gullible. Ever make a major purchase because it was "30 per cent off" or choose a bag of chips because it had "50 per cent more"? More than what? More than a bag with 50 per cent fewer chips? The ads make us feel like savvy shoppers, but without a frame of reference, it's pretty meaningless.

One lesson learned from

the recent G8 summit in Italy is that the Chinese, Indians, Brazilians, and Mexicans are better shoppers than we are. While G8 countries were hailing the agreement to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 50 per cent by 2050 (80 per cent for developed economies), and to limit global average temperature increases to two degrees over pre-industrial temperatures, these developing economies were asking what it all means.

Like the bag of chips, the agreement lacks meaning as it lacks any frame of reference. A 50 per cent reduction from what year? And what is the baseline for pre-industrial temperature? If we choose 1830s versus 1850s

(last minimum of the "Little Ice Age") it makes a major difference. The agreement reached in Italy is not a plan, and without frames of reference it does not set any real goals.

These frames of reference are to be worked out in advance of the December UNFCCC Conference in Copenhagen, but it is disappointing that G8 leaders left Italy without establishing them. While we're at it

## Beyond the technology gap

- The economies of China, India, Brazil and Mexico are not built on innovation but rather on taking innovative products and making them less expensively. If we are innovative in designing products that are more efficient, and are innovative in developing new, greener manufacturing technologies, who do you think will adopt those technologies and make those products?

and talking about frames of reference, somebody better verify with the Americans we mean Celsius.

Of course, it's not just that the Chinese, Indians, Brazilians, and Mexicans are more cautious shoppers.

Even with benchmarks, it will be difficult to get these countries to buy in to any carbon emission reduction plan. Until recently, that has been a justification for Canada to walk

away from its Kyoto Protocol obligations, and for the U.S. to not even ratify Kyoto. But these decisions showed a lack of understanding of our own economy, and have really put the North American market at a disadvantage. Like other G8 countries, the Canadian and American economies are built on innovation. We have let European countries take the risks, hence the lead in green technologies. Adopting stringent carbon reduction targets

now will have us playing catch-up for years, but further delays will only broaden the gap.

Further, a more expansive view of our commitment to reduce carbon emissions that includes not only use of products in Canada, but carbon emissions during their manufacture and transportation, will give developing economies incentive to reduce emissions to remain competitive. So far, however, product life cycle goals for carbon emissions remain outside the scope of the major international agreements and conventions. Hopefully, someday they find their place.

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# Electric bikes getting big push in Japan

Riding the vogue for eco-conscious products, companies ranging from battery to tire to motorcycle makers in Japan are looking to cultivate a market that beats even hybrid cars in green credentials: Electric bicycles.

Japan's motor-assisted bicycles use a small electric motor and battery pack mounted inconspicuously on the bicycle to propel the rider, constantly adjusting the motor's force to the speed and resistance of the pedalling.

That makes cycling up a hill or while carrying a heavy load a cinch, winning over a growing number of elderly and housewives in Japan. Sales of electric bicy-

**"A lot of our customers say their range of activity on a bicycle has expanded. They're going places where they would normally take their car or a taxi."**

Masanori Kobayashi, Yamaha senior official

cles more than doubled from 2000 to 315,000 last year, as they became more affordable and practical.

"Once you've ridden one of our motor-assisted bicycles, you'll never go back!" a spokeswoman at Yamaha Motor beamed, urging reporters to try out a few of Yamaha's 17 electric bicycle models at a test-ride event on Friday.

The motor switches off automatically once the

speed reaches the 24 km/h legal limit for assisted riding, classifying the vehicles as bicycles, unlike the popular electric bicycles sold in China, which would require a licence in Japan.

Yamaha Motor, Japan's No. 2 motorcycle brand and top maker of electric bicycles, expects more of a tailwind for the market.

Thanks to advances in rechargeable batteries, Yamaha's standard electric

bikes have a range of 39 kilometres, or 67 kilometres using an optional mode that activates the motor only when desired. That's about double the range of its first model introduced in 1993.

"A lot of our customers say their range of activity on a bicycle has expanded," said Masanori Kobayashi, a senior official at Yamaha. "They're going places where they would normally take their car or a taxi."

Charging time has shrunk to two hours from 10, with one charge costing around 10 cents. One catch is that batteries need to be replaced roughly once every two years, and they cost at least \$250 each.

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A model rides a Yamaha Motor's new motor-assisted bicycle at its test-ride event in Tokyo on Friday.



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## Canadians should get to know HE

**LAUNDRY** Recently, a new designation has been showing up on laundry detergent bottles: HE. A national survey conducted by Angus Reid Strategies on behalf of Purex Natural Elements laundry detergent found that 62 per cent of Canadians have never heard of HE and don't understand what this designation means.

HE stands for high-efficiency and refers to the new front-load, high-efficiency washing machines that are becoming more popular with consumers. These machines not only use less energy than traditional machines, they use less water, and therefore, require a laundry detergent that is low-sudsing. The presence of too many suds can "confuse" the washing cycles and restrict the proper rinsing of the clothes, and may lead to mechanical difficulties with the machine.

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## Empty cartridges help local schools

**Don't know how to get rid of those empty ink and toner cartridges when they run out of ink? Why not consider dropping them off at your local Staples Canada store to help raise funds for schools in your community.**

Staples Canada donates funds raised from all eligible cartridges they collect back to local elementary and secondary schools enrolled in the program. Schools must be registered in order to benefit from the program; registration starts Sept. 1 and ends Dec. 31.

"We have been so impressed by the number of customers who have taken the time to drop off their cartridges for such a worthwhile cause and the number of teachers and school administrators who have taken the time to register," says Pete Gibel, vice-president of Staples Canada.

The Recycle for Educa-



Schools benefit from funds raised through a program that recycles used ink and toner cartridges.

tion program started in 2004 and this past school year alone Staples stores across Canada raised \$400,000 by collecting used cartridges for recycling.

cling. Staples has posted information about its Recycle for Education program on its website recyclefored.ca.

NEWS CANADA

## Recycling can be a great way to help charities in need

**TREASURES** We all know recycling is good for the environment, but have you ever thought about how recycling could help those who are less fortunate?

With tougher economic times and job losses, a growing trend this year is finding a way to turn your trash into someone else's treasure. At a time when so many charities need your help, here are a few ways you can start recycling for an important cause:

**Old electronics:** That dated computer or cell-phone might be old to you, but chances are it would be new to someone else. Consider donating them to organizations that help provide job training for the unemployed.

**Not just old clothes:** Why stop at donating old clothes to a local charity? Kitchen items that aren't being used can find a new home at the local soup kitchen; unused toiletries

### Donation choices

- **Christian Children's Fund of Canada's**, an international children's organization, website ([www.ccfcanada.ca](http://www.ccfcanada.ca)) offers a host of donation choices that kids here can send to poor children overseas—everything from a soccer ball, to school supplies, to a piglet.

would be appreciated at a women's shelter; and children's toys are a welcome addition to any church.

**Nickels in blue bin:** You wouldn't put a bin full of coins out for the garbage truck so why give away those cans? Aluminum cans can be traded in for money that you can use to support the charity of your choice. Kids love collecting cans around the neighborhood and at school if it is for a cause they can get excited about.

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# Business

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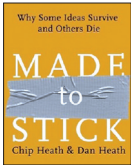
## Toyota to sell stake in plant

Toyota Motor Corp. announced Friday that it will begin selling off its stake in a southern California manufacturing plant that it had jointly operated with General Motors. GM announced last month that it was withdrawing from the 50-50 joint venture as part of a liquidation deal to ensure it would emerge from bankruptcy protection. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

## What do marketing and myths have in common?

### Made to Stick

**Author:** Chip and Dan Heath  
**Publisher:** Random House  
**Price:** \$28.00



**REVIEW** Have you ever heard an urban legend and noticed that just about everyone you know is also familiar with the story?

According to authors (and brothers) Dan and Chip Heath, there is a very particular mix of factors that lead to the success

and longevity of these tales. In their book, *Made to Stick*, the Heath brothers walk the reader through each principle of 'sticking' using the acronym **SUCCESS**.

Business examples include the simple South West Airlines approach to being 'the low fare airline.'

This book was a hit at book club — especially when we gave the task of creating a marketing campaign to two teams for a challenge.

Fun reading.

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## Nortel wireless assets sold

Ericsson's winning \$1.13B bid ensures bankrupt firm's breakup

**Sweden's Ericsson has won an auction for the wireless assets of bankrupt Nortel Networks Corp., paying \$1.13 billion US for the crown jewels of the one-time Canadian telecom star.**

In separate statements, the two companies said Saturday Ericsson had won the bidding for Nortel's key CDMA and next-generation LTE wireless technologies, which Nortel put on the block after it filed for creditor protection in January.

The assets include Nortel's businesses in the CDMA wireless technology used in North America and in the emerging LTE high-speed wireless technology that many of the world's biggest operators plan to use to upgrade their telecommunications networks, as well as some patents.

"This is both a sad story for Nortel and a happy story for Ericsson," Jeff Kagan, an independent telecom industry analyst, said in a note. "Rather than competing with Nortel, Ericsson has won."

He said the deal would enable the Swedish telecom gear maker to expand its North American footprint as the industry evolves toward so-called 4G LTE technology. When fully developed, the tech-



Nortel's Carling Campus in Ottawa. Swedish firm Ericsson successfully won the bankrupt company's wireless assets Friday.

nology is expected to provide broadband-like access for cell phone users in terms of speed and content

richness, Kagan said.

Ericsson's offer virtually assures Nortel will be broken up rather than emerge

**"This is both a sad story for Nortel and a happy story for Ericsson."**

Jeff Kagan,  
independent analyst

from bankruptcy protection as a slimmed-down single unit.

"I believe this is the right outcome at this point in time," Richard Lowe, president of Nortel's carrier operations, said in an interview Saturday. "An orderly disposal of the assets of Nortel is the best outcome for the stakeholders."

Toronto-based Nortel, once North America's biggest maker of telephone gear, filed for bankruptcy protection early this year, blaming the economic crisis for derailing a turnaround effort that began in 2005.

That followed several rounds of attempted reorganizations and years of job cuts that slimmed the company down to 25,000 employees, from a peak of about 90,000. Shares in the company, which once had a market capitalization of over \$250 billion, have fallen to almost nothing, and Nortel said it did not expect existing shareholders to receive any value from the latest sale. **REUTERS**

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## Canadian life insurers safe bets: Analysts

**RESULTS** Canada's big four life insurers now look to be better bets than either their U.S. rivals or the big Canadian banks, as a surging stock market brings profits bouncing higher after three awful quarters.

Analysts say credit concerns and reserve questions have set the stage for a noisy quarter when the Big Four start reporting quarterly results next week.

But almost all say the insurers have ground to make up, and they make investment sense.

"The lifecors are more sensitive to equity market movements and the banks are more sensitive to credit," said Desjardins Securities analyst Michael Goldberg.

### Second quarter

• Opinions vary about which insurers will outperform in the second quarter — each of the Big Four got at least one vote in analysts' previews. Dividends are expected to be unchanged.

"I have continuing concerns about credit, while I think the worst is over for equities, which says to me the lifecors should be relative beneficiaries."

With the U.S. stock market up 15 per cent and Toronto stocks 19 per cent higher than the first quarter, Manulife Financial Corp., Great-West Lifeco Inc., Sun Life Financial Inc. and Industrial Alliance

Insurance and Financial Services Inc. are all expected to report second-quarter profits.

That reflects the investments the giant firms make with the money handed over by clients, rather than in the policy sales that have slumped in the recession.

Manulife, North America's largest insurance company, made losses in the fourth quarter of 2008 and the first quarter of 2009 as stock markets tumbled and investments soured.

Sun Life, Canada's No. 3 insurer, also suffered a first-quarter loss.

Great-West and IAG avoided losses in the first quarter, but earnings slumped.

**REUTERS**

### Business in brief

**AUTO** The U.S. government launched a \$1 billion US cash incentive program on Friday to stimulate auto sales by getting consumers to part with gas-guzzlers and buy more fuel-efficient vehicles. The program, which offers up to \$4,500 US, will be overseen by the Transportation Department. Dealers and manufacturers are offering additional incentives, including matching funds in some cases, to help boost sales.

**STOCKS** Wall Street may take a breather this week after an earnings-driven rally lifted the major U.S. indexes to their highest levels in months. The blue-chip Dow Jones industrial average passed the 9,000 mark last week, and the S&P 500 index ended Friday at 979.26 — up 44.7 per cent from the 12-year closing low hit on March 9. **REUTERS**

**Mexico wins Gold Cup**

Mexico won its fifth Gold Cup yesterday by dominating the Americans 5-0 in the final. A Giants Stadium crowd of 79,156, overwhelmingly comprised of Mexican fans, watched the visitors score all their goals in the second half. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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# Sports



## Massa in life-threatening state

Ferrari F1 driver Felipe Massa remained in "life-threatening" but stable condition yesterday following surgery on multiple skull fractures. Massa was injured during Saturday qualifying when the rear spring from another car bounced into his helmet as the 28-year-old reached speeds of about 120 m.p.h. The impact concussed Massa, who then plowed into the protective tire barrier. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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# Contador claims Tour de France

Spaniard takes second title, Armstrong finishes third in comeback bid

**Alberto Contador emerged as the new cycling boss yesterday when the Spaniard wrapped up his second Tour de France title on seven-times champion Lance Armstrong's return to the race.**

The 26-year-old Contador stayed safe in the main bunch as the last stage, over 164 km from Montereau Fault-Yonne, went to Briton Mark Cavendish.

"I am really happy. It was an especially difficult Tour for me, but that's why I am enjoying the victory all the more," Contador said on the podium.

Over three weeks, Contador proved the strongest rider in the mountains and in the time trials, beating



Astana rider Alberto Contador of Spain, centre, celebrates his overall victory on the podium next to second-place Saxo Bank rider Andy Schleck of Luxembourg, left, and third-place Astana rider Lance Armstrong after the final stage of the Tour de France yesterday.

Luxembourg's Andy Schleck by four minutes 11 seconds. Armstrong, back from 3½ years in retirement, finished third overall 5:24 off the pace.

Schleck, who also took the white jersey for the best under-25 rider, said: "He (Contador) was the strongest rider. He is the boss of the peloton."

The victory kept the Spanish flag flying high on the Champs-Élysées following triumphs for Oscar Pereiro in 2006, Contador in 2007 and Carlos Sastre

last year.

Contador, who missed last year's Tour after Astana were not invited because of their past doping record, took the overall leader's yellow jersey with a strong attack in the first Alpine stage in Verbier, Switzerland.

But throughout the race, he had to contend with criticism from teammate Armstrong, who twice said publicly the Spaniard had ignored team orders.

"This Tour was very difficult as you could see and although it sometimes seems easy on television it wasn't because of other factors," Contador, who is set to leave Astana at the end of the year, told Spanish television. **REUTERS**

## Canadian Open outlasts weekend

**GOLF** Jason Dufner led the Canadian Open leaderboard at the end of play yesterday, but could not collect his maiden PGA Tour win as the weather-battered tournament was forced into a Monday finish.

After three days of torrential rain and thunderstorms, officials had hoped they might dodge the miserable weather long enough to pack in 36 holes and crown the tournament's 100th champion.

But shortly after third-round play began, ferocious storms again rumbled across Glen Abbey forcing another lengthy delay before play was finally suspended.

Mike Weir of Bright's Grove, Ont., recorded a hole-in-one on the par-3 fourth and sits five strokes back of Dufner. **REUTERS**

## Montreal dealt into MLS game?

### It's Called Football

**Ben Rycroft**

metronews.ca/itscalledfootball

The Montreal Impact have been dealt back in. Or, at least, they're back at the table and may be willing to bet the minimum.

For those who have forgotten the expansion standoff between Impact owner Joey Saputo and MLS commissioner Don Garber earlier this year, here's a recap:

**Saputo:** We don't want to pay a \$40-million expansion fee.

**Garber:** Well, \$40 million is the bet.

**Saputo:** I'll bet \$31 million.

**Garber:** You, sir, are out of the game.

**Saputo:** You do know we

attracted 55,000 to a soccer game in February? We've spent \$15 million on our stadium. And my family makes really good cheese.

**Garber:** All very nice, but \$40 million is the minimum.

**Saputo:** I'm calling your bluff.

And with that, Garber had Saputo tossed out of the casino.

Meanwhile, the two other players, Vancouver and Portland, played a few more hands and ended up paying \$35 million.

But Saputo is back, money in hand, saying he is willing to pay the \$35-million price.

Garber is convinced. The board of governors even discussed the Impact as they met this weekend ahead of Wednesday's all-star game in Utah. It seems MLS is more than willing to put the past behind them.

But will Saputo?

The league invited Saputo to the all-star game, an offer Saputo politely (and insanely) refused because the Impact are playing the night before.

You can do both Joey — I checked online for you. There are 16 Air Canada flights that will get you to

Salt Lake City on time. Yes, it'll cost \$1,300, but surely that's worth it if it keeps you from pissing off the dealer again.

An announcement on whether the league will offer expansion in 2012 is expected today. However those cards flop, Montreal should play the hand it's dealt and thank the league for it because, in the end, the MLS house always wins.

Watch Ben Rycroft on the It's Called Football show every Monday at metronews.ca; ben.rycroft@metronews.ca



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## Sports in brief

**HALLADAY** Toronto Blue Jays general manager J.P. Ricciardi reportedly told Foxsports.com last night that because his asking price hasn't yet been met, he thinks the chances of all-star pitcher Roy Halladay being moved before the deadline are

"very slim."

**BLUE JAYS** Scott Rolen's three-run homer in the fourth proved to be all the Blue Jays would need, as Toronto salvaged the last game in its three-game series against Tampa Bay with a 5-1 victory yesterday.

**GOLF** Loren Roberts won the Senior British Open for the second time yesterday after overcoming Mark McNulty and Fred Funk in a playoff at Sunningdale. Tom Watson finished five strokes back.

**METRO NEWS SERVICES**

In the coming weeks Metro's Workology section will be focusing on the part of the entertainment industry that you DON'T see. Backstage Pass will focus on the careers behind the camera and the curtain. So be sure to read Workology and Metronews.ca/work every day.

# Workology

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## Woman donates home to UOIT

An 87-year-old Whitby, Ont., resident, Stefania Dulemba, is returning to her native Poland to help build a shelter there, so she has signed over early her home and property she and her late husband Aleksander willed to the University of Ontario Institute of Technology, located in Oshawa, Ont. Over the years the couple made financial donations to UOIT and Durham College.

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## Rhythm for the stage

Composer's 'bitter pill': It's best if no one notices your music

### Backstage Pass

JON TATTRIE  
for Metro Canada

While the music industry struggles to keep up with the Internet, the technology has made composing for stage and film easier than ever.

From his Halifax base, musician Jason Michael MacIsaac can work anywhere. "A short jaunt to Toronto replaces three weeks in Toronto," he says over tea in a local café.

He writes scores for plays, films and commercials, and is also in a band called the Heavy Blinkers. "There's not one aspect of my career that allows me my extremely epicurean lifestyle," he jokes, taking a bite out of his peanut-butter bagel.

Usually, a composer's job is to write music that no one notices. "That's a bitter pill to swallow," he says, but he understands that badly timed music can wreck a play. "If you have a pivotal moment when someone says, 'Oh, you didn't know I'm a vampire?' and you don't hear that line, for the rest of the play you're like, 'Why's he sucking blood?'"

That's generally true for films, too. MacIsaac wrote the music for 2003's *Touch and Go*, which featured a "pre-Ellen Page Ellen Page," as he puts it.

Earlier this year, he got a chance most stage composers only dream of: He



As a composer, you can work anywhere, says Halifax-based musician Jason Michael MacIsaac.

worked on *Poor Boy*, a pop music fantasia by Halifax's Zuppa Theatre.

"It was a play born out of the music that myself and (collaborator) Dave Christensen created. Every action, every piece of dialogue, was after the music," he smiles. The actors also played the music, presenting further compositional challenges. "You can't be stuck at your cello if you have to go from stage left to stage right in under ten seconds, so a lot of the arrangement be-

comes stripped down."

That's a common concern: What the composer creates in his head may be too expensive or cumbersome for the play. "It's heartbreaking when a song gets dropped. There's a song in *Poor Boy* that it kills me every time I don't hear it," he says. "It's 'Look at me, look at me!' Then all of a sudden, it's not about me anymore. I'm at the service of the play."

McMaster University in Ontario, Bishop's Univer-

sity in Quebec and University of Lethbridge in Alberta are among the institutions that offer classes combining music with theatre, film and television. Many musicians either study music and then apply it to stage, or simply learn music on their own and then turn professional.

For more of the Backstage Pass exclusive series check Workology frequently or stop by: [metronews.ca/work](http://metronews.ca/work)

## Keeping all the old masterworks perfect

### OddJobs

#### Diane Peters

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Few man-made things last forever. Buildings, books and bridges crumble if no one takes care of them.

Paintings in particular discolour, tear and get damaged over the years when they're on display, being handled and getting shipped.

Conservators try to both reverse and prevent damage to paintings as well as sculptures, books and artifacts.

Claude Belleau, 48, heard about this unique career around the time he was starting an art history degree at Concordia University in Montreal.

Growing up in nearby Chambly, Belleau loved to paint and draw, and he also had a passion for history. (Easy to do in a town that boasts Fort Chambly, built in 1711.)

"As far back as I can remember I loved looking at books with old masters' paintings. I was as young as 13 or 14 when I was looking at that stuff."

It took two tries, but Belleau eventually got into the masters program in art conservation at Queen's University in Kingston, the only such program in Canada.

The degree blended art with science, and Belleau learned about how paint pigments decay and how temperature and humidity can either preserve or break down materials.

After graduation, Belleau got experience in Quebec City and in Belgium, and ended up spending 20 years at the Musée National des Beaux-Arts du Québec as staff conservator.

Looking for a change, Belleau joined the Glenbow Museum in Calgary three months ago.

At work, he examines

### The Lowdown

**Job title:** Painting conservator

**Salary:** N/A

**Education/training:** Masters degree in art conservation, background in art, history or science

**Best Part of the Job:** "To be in contact with the collections. Going beyond just the surface appearance of the painting to see how it was made and see the artist's intent."

**Worst Part of the Job:** "It's frustrating not to always be able to do everything you want to do to a work, often because of time constraints."

paintings from the museum's collection, pieces that have been borrowed or works that the museum wants to buy. He then writes reports on what he sees. For the museum's

pieces, he'll propose repairs.

Those suggestions are then approved or rejected by the museum either based on time (sometimes there just isn't enough if a show is about to go up) or concerns about risk to the painting.

He also meets with other staff members to consult on preventing risk to paintings and makes suggestions for, for instance, safe shipping.

He also spends time in the museum's lab, which he shares with two other conservators (one works with paper, the other with artifacts). There, he relies on special tables and other equipment to repair holes, redo finishes, remount canvases and do touch-ups with pigment.

"It's very precise work. It requires dexterity. And you need to be patient," says Belleau. Some paintings take just a few hours of work. Some of the massive church paintings he conserved while working in Quebec took hundreds of hours.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.



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## Ocotomom TV series

Ocotomom Nadya Suleman has signed agreements for her 14 children to star in a reality television show, Entertainment Weekly reports. Each of Suleman's children will earn \$250 per day according to the contracts. Filming begins this fall. **EW.COM**

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# Entertainment

EDITOR: DEAN.LISK@METRONWS.CA

## Tackling love and crime

### Finger Lickin' Fifteen

**Author:** Janet Evanovich  
**Publisher:** St. Martin's Press  
**Price:** \$35.95 (Hardcover)

The 15th instalment in Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum mystery series sees her leading lady try to solve two sets of crimes while balancing her assorted love life and quirky characters she encounters throughout. The lingerie buyer-turned-bounty hunter is on the prowl to discover who killed celebrity chef Stanley Chipotle in a Trenton, N.J., alleyway. Key evidence is companion and sole witness Lula's entrance into the barbecue competition at which Chipotle was poised to appear.

### BookPicks

### Tomato Rhapsody

**Author:** Adam Schell  
**Publisher:** Delacorte Press  
**Price:** \$28.95 (Hardcover)

In this debut tale of sundry literary inspirations, Adam Schell traces the fantastic fictional account of how the tomato came to Italy. Jewish farmer Davido is given a pass by the village priest to bring the tomato to town, but the fruit quickly becomes a catalyst for controversy. Davido becomes the apple of Catholic Mari's eye, but love appears forbidden, considering her stepfather is overprotective olive mogul and novel villain Giuseppe.

— BRIAN COULTON  
/FOR METRO CANADA

## Celebs visit Comic Con

Cameron unveils Avatar footage, Burton previews Alice

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Metro World News

The 40th annual San Diego International Comic Con attracted an estimated 125,000 fans of film, TV, video games and comic books for four days of beautiful weather, celebrity sightings and previews of upcoming blockbusters.

While some worried the convention had strayed beyond its comic book roots to become a Hollywood marketing event, fans of all stripes celebrated their favourite pastimes with vigour — and more than a few interesting homemade costumes.

The biggest Hollywood-related draws of the festival were from veteran director



Actor Johnny Depp, left, and director Tim Burton speak at the Alice in Wonderland press conference during Comic Con.

James Cameron, who unveiled 25 minutes of footage from his long-awaited 3-D film, Avatar. Also on display for the first time were toys and concept art related to the film.

But perhaps even more anticipated — and the cause for more controversy — was the panel previewing New Moon, the latest in the Twilight series. Fans of the book and film franchise

### Not guilty

A British judge acquitted Amy Winehouse on Friday of assaulting a fan who asked to take her picture. The singer was found not guilty of punching dancer Sherene Flash.

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camped out the day and night before the panel, overtaking the 6,500-capacity Hall H, to the chagrin of fans hoping to attend other panels scheduled the same day.

Another piece of news was word that a sequel to the 1980s hit Tron is in fact on its way, as Jeff Bridges, star of the original, was happy to report. Principal filming has been completed, Bridges confirmed, but was intentionally cagey on plot details.

Tim Burton was on hand to preview his next big film, Alice in Wonderland, and even brought along star Johnny Depp as a surprise. "It's been years since I've been to Comic Con," Burton said. "It's so great to be back."

### Box office

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theatres:

- G-Force**  
\$32.1 million
- Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince**  
\$30 million
- The Ugly Truth**  
\$27 million
- Orphan**  
\$12.7 million
- Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs**  
\$8.2 million
- Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen**  
\$8 million
- The Hangover**  
\$6.4 million
- The Proposal**  
\$6.4 million
- Public Enemies**  
\$4.1 million
- Brüno**  
\$2.7 million

REUTERS

### GlobalStyle

#### Kenya Hunt

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	4	CBXT	- 307	Coronation St.	Jeopardy!					CBC News: The National	The Hour	
	6	KREM	- 372	News	Hollywood	The Doctors				Two/Half Men	Big Bang Th	CSI: Miami
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#### Rules of Engagement

You've done it: accepted an invitation and then tried to wiggle out of it when something better came up. Jeff and Audrey lie to get out of going to a party that Jennifer and Adam are hosting after they get invited to a party they think will be cooler. 9:30 PM on KREM CHTV



#### The Bachelorette

Jillian Harris, the 29-year-old Vancouver-based beauty who had her romantic dreams crushed when Jason Mesnick passed her over in the last season of "The Bachelor," doesn't have to worry about history repeating itself: She's the one making her choice as the reality series closes out this season. 9 PM on CKEM KXLY

#### Guilt by Association

Guadalupe-winning actress Mercedes Ruehl stars in this 2002 made-for-cable drama as a woman who discovers her boyfriend is a drug dealer when she is brought up on drug charges. Wrongly convicted and forced to leave her children in the care of her sister, she battles for her freedom. 11 PM on W



Despite Mischa Barton's week-long stay at a L.A. hospital psychiatric ward, Ashton Kutcher claims the actress is "doing great" and is headed to New York to work on her new show, *The Beautiful Life*, which Kutcher is producing. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

**Kutcher says Barton's fine**

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## John having crisis of faith?

**FALLOUT** Friends of John Travolta are concerned for the reclusive star's health. The actor has been taking midnight drives in a golf cart alone across his Jumbolair estate in Florida, [femalefirst.co.uk](http://femalefirst.co.uk) reports.

He is said to be unable to sleep, grief-stricken over the recent death of his teenaged son, Jett.

The late-night drives are a regular occurrence, according to one local resident.

A neighbour said: "We used to see him driving

around on a buggy with his son. Now it's just John by himself."

Jett died after suffering a seizure while on a family holiday in the Bahamas in January.

Since the tragedy, Travolta has admitted Jett was suffering from autism, going against Scientology, which does not acknowledge autism as a medical condition.



After his death, it was claimed Jett may not have been taking conventional medication for the condition, but rather detox programs and vitamins.

It is also rumoured Travolta is thinking of leaving the religion after 35 years, because his faith has been so "deeply shaken" by his son's death.

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## Vanessa settles into new mansion

**GROWING UP** Actress Vanessa Hudgens, who recently moved into a six-bedroom, \$2.75-million US mansion, and is beginning to realize how difficult she made life for her mother, [femalefirst.co.uk](http://femalefirst.co.uk) reports.

She said: "There is a struggle to keep the place clean. I'm always in my kitchen scrubbing down the counters and doing the dishes."

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## Kate comes to terms with split

**BIG STEP** As her estranged husband Jon Gosselin enjoys the single life, Kate Gosselin has taken a more subtle step in her new life: She's removed her wedding band, [people.com](http://people.com) reports.

Kate was photographed for the first time without her ring Friday.

Just last month, removing the ring

seemed like a symbolic gesture that she was not yet ready to make. "I haven't taken off my ring," she told *People* at the time. "It would devastate my kids. It's not necessary. I was looking at it while I was in the shower this morning, and I thought, I'm not taking it off. I'm not ready."

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## LeAnn's marriage over?

**BREAKUP** LeAnn Rimes opened up about relationships gone wrong during a performance in Utah Saturday, [usmagazine.com](http://usmagazine.com) reports.

"It is inevitable that sometimes in a relationship, you will have your heart broken," said the singer.

Rimes, 26, was not wearing her

wedding ring on stage.

On Saturday, a source told *Us* that Rimes and Sheremet are "leading separate lives ... but still in each other's lives as best friends. They are not divorcing yet, but working through things and taking time apart."

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**Tuesday**  
Rain  
23°C / 11°C

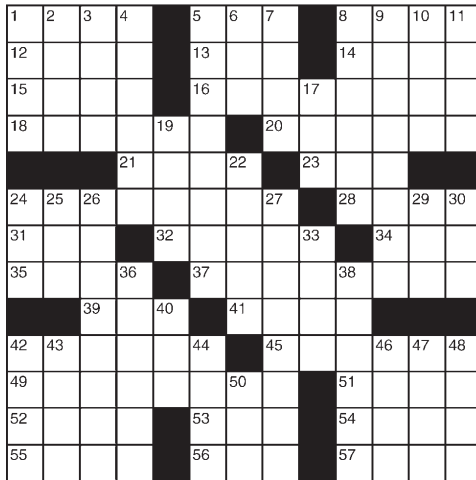


**Wednesday**  
Mostly cloudy  
25°C / 9°C



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## ACROSS

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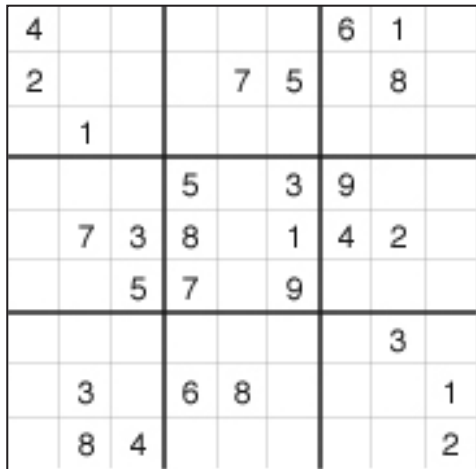
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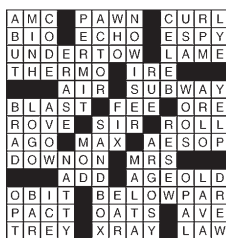
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## ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

No matter how many serious things may be going on in your life at the moment you are determined to go out and have a good time.

## LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

The more you look at the world around you the more you will realize there is a pattern to your existence.

## TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

You may be in the middle of a winning streak but don't take your good fortune for granted.

## SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

It's not like you to be so free and easy with your cash but you seem determined to lavish gifts on everyone.

## GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

You will feel good about yourself today, but one thing you won't feel is the desire to do anything strenuous, so don't overdo it.

## SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

Reach out and touch someone special today. Let them know that your feelings for them are as strong as ever.

## CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

You like to ponder the big questions of life but today you must put them to the back of your mind and focus on more practical issues.

## CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

You may be desperate to make a good impression on people who can help you career-wise, but don't run yourself into the ground.

## LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

The Sun in your sign will make it easy to believe that all things are possible — as indeed they are — but don't get carried away.

## AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

Venus, planet of affection, makes a perfect angle to Jupiter in your birth sign today, so you will be lucky in love and lucky with money.

## VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

You'll find it easy to get your own way today: Other people seem mesmerized by your glamour and will do whatever it takes to please you.

## PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20

You've had a lot on your plate in recent weeks and may have been too busy to spend much time with your nearest and dearest.

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## Take Five

## Metro Recipe of the Day

## Four Seasons Pizza

## INGREDIENTS:

## PIZZA DOUGH

2 1/2 cups (625 ml) white bread or plain flour  
7 g sachet dried yeast  
1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt  
2 tbsp (25 ml) olive oil  
Between 1/4 and 1 cup (about 200 ml) tepid water

## TOPPINGS

5 oz (150 g) baby leeks, trimmed and sliced  
4 oz (125 g) mushrooms, sliced  
1 tbsp (15 ml) white wine vinegar  
4 large grilled red pepper pieces, drained and thickly sliced  
2/3 cup (150 ml) canned artichoke hearts, drained and quartered  
1 garlic clove, finely chopped  
2/3 cup (150 ml) tomato paste  
1 tbsp (15 ml) tapenade  
1 oz (50 g) prosciutto, thinly sliced  
1/4 cup (50 ml) pitted black olives, sliced  
1/2 cup (125 ml) semi-dried tomatoes, chopped  
1/2 cup (125 ml) grated mozzarella cheese  
A few fresh sprigs of oregano

## METHOD:

1. Mix flour, yeast and salt in large bowl. Make well in centre and stir in olive oil with enough tepid water to make smooth dough. Turn dough out onto lightly floured surface and knead five minutes until smooth and elastic. Place dough back in rinsed-out and lightly oiled bowl, then cover with damp dishcloth or oiled plastic wrap and leave in warm place for 1 hour or until doubled in size.  
2. Meanwhile, preheat oven to 400°F (200°C) and prepare



toppings. Put leeks in pot with mushrooms and vinegar, cover and cook on high heat 3-4 minutes, shaking pot occasionally, until softened. Mix peppers with artichokes. Mix garlic into tomato paste.  
3. Turn out risen dough onto lightly floured surface and knead lightly, then roll out or press out with knuckles to about 12in. (30-32 cm) round on lightly greased baking tray.  
4. Spread tomato paste mixture evenly over pizza base, then pile leeks and mushrooms over one-quarter of dough and peppers and artichokes over second quarter. Over third quarter, dot tapenade and scrunch prosciutto on top. Spread olives and tomatoes over last quarter. Sprinkle cheese over whole pizza.  
5. Bake pizza 30 minutes until golden around edges and lightly browned on top. Scatter some sprigs of oregano over pizza, cut into slices and serve piping hot.

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